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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

It is very important to me to stop the USTelecom petition and preserve the 1996 Telecommunications Act. I am a consumer who does not use the internet or phone services of one of the big providers, but instead use a small local provider, Sonic.com, for both. Sonic.com is more responsive to my needs, more interested in protecting my online privacy, more interested in maintaining net neutrality, and the price is right.

Without broadband competition, companies like Sonic could not exist, and I would be stuck with very few choices of internet provider. I live in an urban area, but my only practical choice for internet provider was ATT until Sonic came along, and I'm glad they did. I switched from ATT DSL to Sonic fiber only a few months ago and have been very happy with the service.

Support competition!

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